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Refer to: Will County - Joliet/Process Alliance Partnership

March 26, 1981

Robert D. Barker 900 Railroad St. Joliet, IL 60436

Process Alliance Partnership 608 Railroad St. Joliet, IL 60436 Attn: Alfred M. Tenney &

Donald E. Matschke

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herein is the Permit as required by the Will County Circuit Court in an Order entered by Judge Michael A. Orenic on March 4, 1981, in the matter of Process Alliance Partnership v. Michael Mauzy, et al (81 CH 140).

Rather than extend the subject permit until only April 3,1981, the Agency has elected to grant the permit until October 1, 1981. The Agency is taking this action in order to allow your facility additional time so as to come into complete compliance with all environmental laws and, also, to obtain the necessary Development and Operating Permits. It is expected that by October 1, 1981, the facility will be in complete compliance and also have all necessary permits in hand. It should be clearly understood that the Agency has no intentions of granting any further time delays above and beyond the degree to which your facility is allowed to operate pursuant to lawful permit and/or Court Order. In other words, if the facility is not appropriately permitted, we will expect the facility to cease all operations that would be violative of the law without the necessary permits.

Your counsel has, on occasion, requested advance notice from this Agency as to whether or not a permit would issue or be denied. The reason this information was requested is that you alleged you had to give prior notice to your principal customer, Northern Petro Chemical Company, as to whether or not your facility would remain in operation. Such advance notice will not be given. It is incumbent upon your facility to make the appropriate permit applications in a timely fashion so that you will have advance notice through the Agency having already acted on your permit applications. In this fashion you can notify your customer by the information your facility has in hand.

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It is now up to your facility to eliminate all environmental violations and problems. The Agency will be holding a public hearing toward the end of the time period allowed under the Permit enclosed herein. At those public hearings, it is expected that there will be some public input from the impacted populace regarding whether or not your facility has improved its method of operation from an environmental standpoint (which includes odor problems).

If you have any questions concerning interpretation of the enclosed Permit, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Thomas E. Cavanagh, Jr., Manager

Residual Management Section

Division of Land/Noise Pollution Control

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